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VIA E-MAIL

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RE: FOIA Request DOC-OIG-2019-002231

Dear Dr. Karron:

This letter is regarding your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, tracking number DOC-OIG-2019-002231, dated September 7, 2019 and received by the Department of Commerce, Office of Inspector General (OIG) on September 9, 2019, in which you seek copies of "Investigative record of the Daniel B Karron and Computer-Aided Surgery investigation and conviction in 2004-2001."

On September 18, 2019, we sent you a letter requesting that you provide clarification of your request for records and provide a valid certification of identity. The letter noted that if we did not receive a written response from you by October 18, 2019, we would notify you that your request would be administratively closed. We have not received the written response. In accordance with 15 C.F.R. § 4.4(b), § 4.6(c) and § 4.24, we are unable to continue processing this request, and we have closed this FOIA request file. If you continue to seek OIG records, you may file a new request.

You have the right to appeal this determination. An appeal must be received within ninety (90) calendar days of the date of this response letter. Address your appeal to the following office:

Counsel to the Inspector General  
U.S. Department of Commerce  
Office of Inspector General, Office of Counsel  
14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Room 7898C  
Washington, D.C. 20230

An appeal may also be sent by e-mail to [FOIA@oig.doc.gov](mailto:FOIA@oig.doc.gov), by facsimile (fax) to 202-501-7335, or by FOIAonline, if you have an account in FOIAonline, at <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home#>.

The appeal should include a copy of the original request and this letter. In addition, the appeal should include a statement of the reasons why you believe that the determination was in error.

The appeal letter, the envelope, the e-mail subject line, and the fax cover sheet should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." The e-mail, fax machine, FOIAonline, and Office of Counsel mailbox are monitored only on working days during normal business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday). FOIA appeals posted to the e-mail box, fax machine, FOIAonline, or the Office of Counsel mailbox after normal business hours will be deemed received on the next normal business day. If the 90th calendar day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal public holiday, an appeal received by 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, the next business day will be deemed timely. An appeal received after the 90-day limit will not be considered.

If you have any questions or concerns or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact the analyst who processed your request, Laura Main, by telephone at (202) 482-5992 or by email at [foia@oig.doc.gov](mailto:foia@oig.doc.gov). You may also contact me, the OIG FOIA Public Liaison at:


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In addition, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

Office of Government Information Services  
National Archives and Records Administration  
8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS  
College Park, Maryland 20740-6001  
E-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov);  
Telephone at (202) 741-5770; toll free at 1 (877) 684-6448; facsimile at (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,

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